



Situation Report

(2022-026) SITREP to AG (UPDATE) - Planned Protest/Demonstration - Amherst, NS to NS/NB Border

PURPOSE:

- To update the Attorney General on a protest/demonstration (COVID related) in Amherst, N.S.

BACKGROUND:

- In support of the anti-vaccination mandate protest "Freedom Convoy", persons and groups communicated their intention to blockade the Trans-Canada Highway (104 HWY) at the New Brunswick (NB) and Nova Scotia (NS) border in Amherst, Nova Scotia.
- Protest organizers called for individuals to meet at the Irving Big Stop in Aulac, NB then travel Eastbound on Highway 104, reaching the NS/NB land border where the convoy will conduct a "slow roll" and park in protest, blocking both sides of the border.
- An Operational Plan was created and included Command Post staff, J DIV Coordination, Divisional Liaison Team (DLT) engagement, Special Tactical Operations (STO) resources, DCAS, liaison with the Amherst Police and points of contact with applicable Nova Scotia agencies i.e. Transportation and Infrastructure, Department of Justice (DOJ), Health, Strategic Communications.

CURRENT STATUS:

- On January 29, 2022, at 1:00pm, approximately 30 protesters had gathered in Aulac, New Brunswick.
- At 3:00pm, Highway 104 and the Cobequid Pass were closed due to deteriorating weather conditions.
- No protest materialized within Nova Scotia.
- Planning continues to take place by police and applicable external partners.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

- The Officer in Charge of Northeast Nova District is aware.
- The Officer in Charge of Criminal Operations is aware.
- The Officer in Charge of "J" Division Criminal Operations is aware.

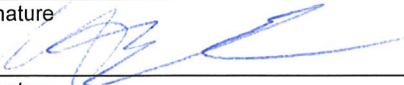
STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS:

- "H" Division Strategic Communications is engaged.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Nil.

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Signatures

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